

T-387
Country Rectory
3030 Crosiadore Lane
Trappe Vicinity
Ca. 1949
Private

Country Rectory is a gentleman's farm located on 11.23 acres of land on the banks of Holmes Creek to the south of the community of Trappe in Talbot County, Maryland and contains ten structures. The structures include a residence, two milk houses, a tool shed, a carriage house, a barn, a shed, a machine shed, a stable, and a tenant house.

Country Rectory, also known as "Bryan Farm," represents an intact collection of agricultural buildings associated with the historically important trend of the gentleman farmer in Talbot County. The property was originally a tenant farm for the Crosiadore Estate. The Crosiadore property was purchased by J. Overton Dickson in 1896 from a trustee for the estate. The property containing the tenant farm was left by Dickson to Madie T. Huglett in his will prior to 1940 when she and her husband, Edward, sold the property to Reverend Christopher Keller and his wife and Kathryn P. The Kellers extensively renovated the property in 1949, gutting the tenant house and constructing several additions in the Colonial Revival style. They named the property "Country Rectory" and lived on the farm until 1971, when Kathryn Keller sold the property to the Holmes Creek Corporation. The land was subdivided and the lots were subsequently sold, with the 1949 farmstead left intact.

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Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

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1. Name of Property

historic Country Rectory
other Bryan Farm; Crosiadore Tenant Farm

2. Location

street and number 3030 Crosiadore Lane N/A not for publication
city, town Trappe X vicinity
county Talbot

3. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Leeslie Passano
street and number 3030 Crosiadore Lane telephone
city, town Trappe state MD zip code 21673-1824

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Talbot County Courthouse liber 663 folio 982 and liber 779 folio 594
city, town Easton tax map 58/16 tax parcel 15 tax ID number 117944

5. Primary Location of Additional Data

- ☐ Contributing Resource in National Register District
☐ Contributing Resource in Local Historic District
☐ Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
☐ Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
☐ Recorded by HABS/HAER
☐ Historic Structure Report or Research Report at MHT
☐ Other: _____

6. Classification

Category	Ownership	Current Function	Resource Count	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture	Contributing	Noncontributing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	10	buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> defense		sites
<input type="checkbox"/> site		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> domestic		structures
<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input type="checkbox"/> education		objects
		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	10	Total
		<input type="checkbox"/> government		
		<input type="checkbox"/> health care		
		<input type="checkbox"/> industry		
		<input type="checkbox"/> landscape		
		<input type="checkbox"/> recreation/culture		
		<input type="checkbox"/> religion		
		<input type="checkbox"/> social		
		<input type="checkbox"/> transportation		
		<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress		
		<input type="checkbox"/> unknown		
		<input type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use		
		<input type="checkbox"/> other:		
			Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory	
			0	

7. Description

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Condition

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> altered

Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

Summary Description

Country Rectory is located on 11.23 acres of land on the banks of Holmes Creek to the south of the community of Trappe in Talbot County, Maryland and contains ten structures. The structures include a residence, two milk houses, a tool shed, a carriage house, a barn, a shed, a machine shed, a stable, and a tenant house.

The residence is located approximately one-quarter-mile down a straight gravel access road lined with conifers. The agricultural buildings are arranged in a linear plan running from west to east as visitors approach the residence. The agricultural buildings are enclosed within a wood post and rail fence. The property is surrounded by fields and modern development. It is no longer an active farm.

Main Residence, ca. 1890

The residence is a two-and-a-half story simple wood frame building, constructed ca. 1890, which originally had a hall-parlor plan. The building was significantly altered and turned into a large Colonial Revival residence ca. 1949 when two one-and-a-half story additions were constructed. The existing stylistic elements, including the telescoping additions, Tidewater Maryland interior gable wall chimney, and the stepped exterior brick masonry chimney, all date to the ca. 1949 renovations. The building rests on a continuous poured concrete foundation and has a central passage, single-pile plan with a rear ell. The cross-gable roof is clad with wood shingles and has a total of six gable roof dormers on the ca. 1949 additions. The building has an exterior gable wall brick masonry chimney, an interior gable wall brick masonry chimney, and an interior brick masonry chimney.

The southwest façade was originally the principle building entry. The walls of the original building are clad with wood shingles. Horizontal wood siding is used on the 1949 additions. The building is entered through a hinged twelve-light, wood French door into the original building. The windows on the first floor are eight-over-eight wood sashes with six-over-six wood sashes used on the second level and in the dormers. The front entry porch on the side addition has a wood plank floor, three chamfered wood posts, and a shed roof clad with wood shingles. It has been enclosed with screening.

The northwest façade is currently the principle building entry. The walls of the original building are clad with wood shingles. Horizontal wood siding is used on the 1949 additions. The building is entered through a hinged wood plank door into the rear addition. A pent roof clad with wood shingles shelters the door. The windows on the first floor are eight-over-eight wood sashes with six-over-six wood sashes used on the second level. The windows have wood shutters. The integral side porch has a wood plank floor and two square wood posts. Two modern skylights have been inserted into the porch roof.

The northeast façade is clad with horizontal wood siding. There are no doors. The windows on the first floor are eight-over-eight wood sashes with six-over-six wood sashes used on the second level and in the dormers. A square single-pane vinyl awning sash window is located in the gable end.

The walls of the original building on the southeast façade are clad with wood shingles. Horizontal wood siding is used on the 1949 addition. The building is entered through a hinged wood plank door into the rear addition. The windows on the first floor are eight-over-eight wood sashes with six-over-six wood sashes used on the second level. A four-pane wood casement window is located in the gable end of the original portion of the building. There is a new dormer on the rear addition with a rectangular single-pane vinyl awning sash window and a demi lune vinyl window above. The windows have wood shutters. The rear entry porch on the rear addition has a wood plank floor, three square wood posts, and a shed roof clad with wood shingles. Originally open, the porch has been enclosed with screening.

The interior has four rooms and a hall on the first floor. The floors are of wood planks with a new open string staircase to the upper level. The walls and ceiling are of plaster with a simple plaster cornice running through all rooms.

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Milk House #1, ca. 1935

The milk house, constructed ca. 1935, is a one-story wood frame structure with an undivided interior space. The building rests on a poured concrete slab. The walls are clad with horizontal wood siding. The pyramidal roof is clad with wood shingles. The building is accessed through a hinged wood plank door on the southeast façade. There are no windows, but there are window openings on the remaining three façades which have been enclosed with screening. The interior of the building is finished with a poured concrete floor and plaster walls and ceiling.

Tool Shed, ca. 1945

The tool shed, constructed ca. 1945, is a one-story wood frame structure with an undivided interior space. The building rests on a poured concrete slab. The walls are clad with board and batten siding. The side gable roof is clad with standing-seam metal. The building is accessed through a hinged wood plank door on the southwest façade. The windows are paired six-pane wood hopper sashes. The interior of the building is finished with particle board on the walls and ceiling.

Carriage House, ca. 1950

The carriage house is a one-story timber frame structure, constructed ca. 1950, with an undivided interior space and a side shed addition. The building rests on a continuous concrete masonry unit foundation with poured concrete piers. The addition has a continuous brick foundation. The walls are clad with board and batten siding with vertical wood planks used on the shed addition. The offset side gable roof is clad with standing-seam metal. The building is accessed through three solid wood plank garage doors. The windows are paired six-pane wood hopper sashes. The interior of the building is unfinished with a poured concrete floor. The addition is unfinished with a wood plank floor.

Milk House #2, ca. 1950

The second milk house, constructed ca. 1950, is a one-story masonry structure with an undivided interior space. The building rests on a poured concrete slab. The walls are constructed of concrete masonry units with three-inch vertical wood boards in the gable ends. The front-gable roof is clad with asphalt shingles. The building is accessed through a hinged wood plank door on the northeast façade. The windows are six-pane wood hopper sashes. The interior of the building is finished with a poured concrete floor, beadboard walls, and a beadboard ceiling.

Barn, ca. 1930

The multi-purpose barn, constructed ca. 1930, is four bays deep with a hayloft. The structure rests on a continuous brick masonry foundation. The timber frame barn is clad with board and batten siding. The front-gable roof is clad with wood shingles. The barn has a hay hood on the southeast gable end. The doors are hinged wood planks with diagonal bracing. The windows openings had six-pane wood hopper sashes, many of which are missing. The interior of the building is unfinished with a poured concrete floor.

Shed, ca. 1930

The shed, constructed ca. 1930, is a one-story timber frame structure with an undivided interior space. The building rests on a continuous concrete masonry unit foundation. The walls are clad with board and batten siding. The offset front-gable roof is clad with standing-seam metal. The building is accessed through a hinged wood plank door on the southwest façade. The windows openings have been boarded up. The interior of the building is unfinished with a raised wood plank floor.

Machine Shed, date unknown

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The machine shed is four bays wide and is of timber frame construction with an open southwest façade. The shed rests on a poured concrete pier foundation. The walls are clad with horizontal wood siding. The offset side gable roof is clad with standing-seam metal. There are no doors or windows. The interior of the building is unfinished with an earthen floor.

Stable, date unknown

The stable is a one-story timber frame structure with an undivided interior space. The foundation was not visible. The walls are clad with vertical wood siding. The shed roof is clad with standing-seam metal. There are no doors or windows. The interior of the building is unfinished with an earthen floor.

Tenant House, ca. 1920

The tenant house, constructed ca. 1920, is two-story wood frame structure with a single-pen plan and a side and rear addition. The foundation was not visible. The building is clad with asbestos shingles. The cross-gable roof is clad with asphalt shingles. The building is entered through an offset hinged wood four panel entry door. The windows are six-over-six wood sashes. The building has an exterior end gable brick masonry chimney. The front porch shed roof porch has been enclosed with screening. The interior was not accessible at the time of the survey.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts	
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment/	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion	
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	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> ethnic heritage	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> social history	
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/	<input type="checkbox"/> maritime history	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other: _____	

Specific dates 1890; 1946-1960 **Architect/Builder** unknown

Construction dates ca. 1890, 1930-1950

Evaluation for:

☐ National Register

☐ Maryland Register

☒ not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance projects, complete evaluation on a DOE Form – see manual.)

Summary Statement of Significance

Country Rectory represents the area of Agriculture between the years 1930 to 1950. The property as a whole is associated with the historically important trend of the gentleman farmer in the county. This coincides with the continued development of model farms and country estates owned by wealthy immigrants to Talbot County during the Post-War Boom and Industrialization of the Farm (1946-1960) agricultural period in Talbot County's history. The buildings on the property display the characteristics and building types associated with gentleman's farms in Talbot County during this period.

Historical Background

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9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property	11.23	
Acreage of historical setting	11.23	
Quadrangle name	Trappe, MD	Quadrangle scale: 1: 24,000

Verbal boundary description and justification

The boundary of the surveyed property is marked as current boundary as described on Talbot County Tax Map 58, Grid 16, Parcel 15. The existing parcel portion is concurrent with the historic setting, and includes character-defining resources and setting which relate to the property's construction and evolution.

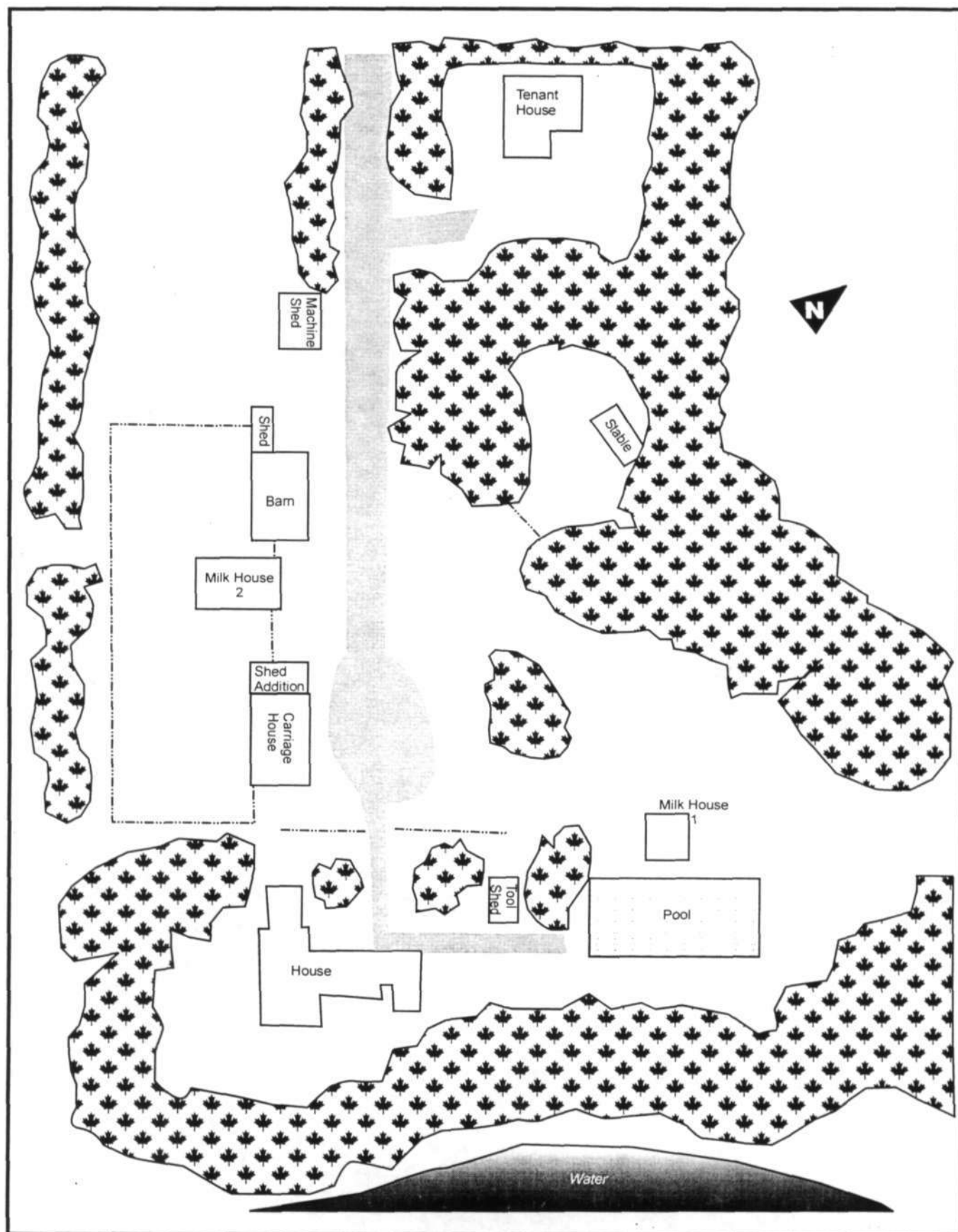
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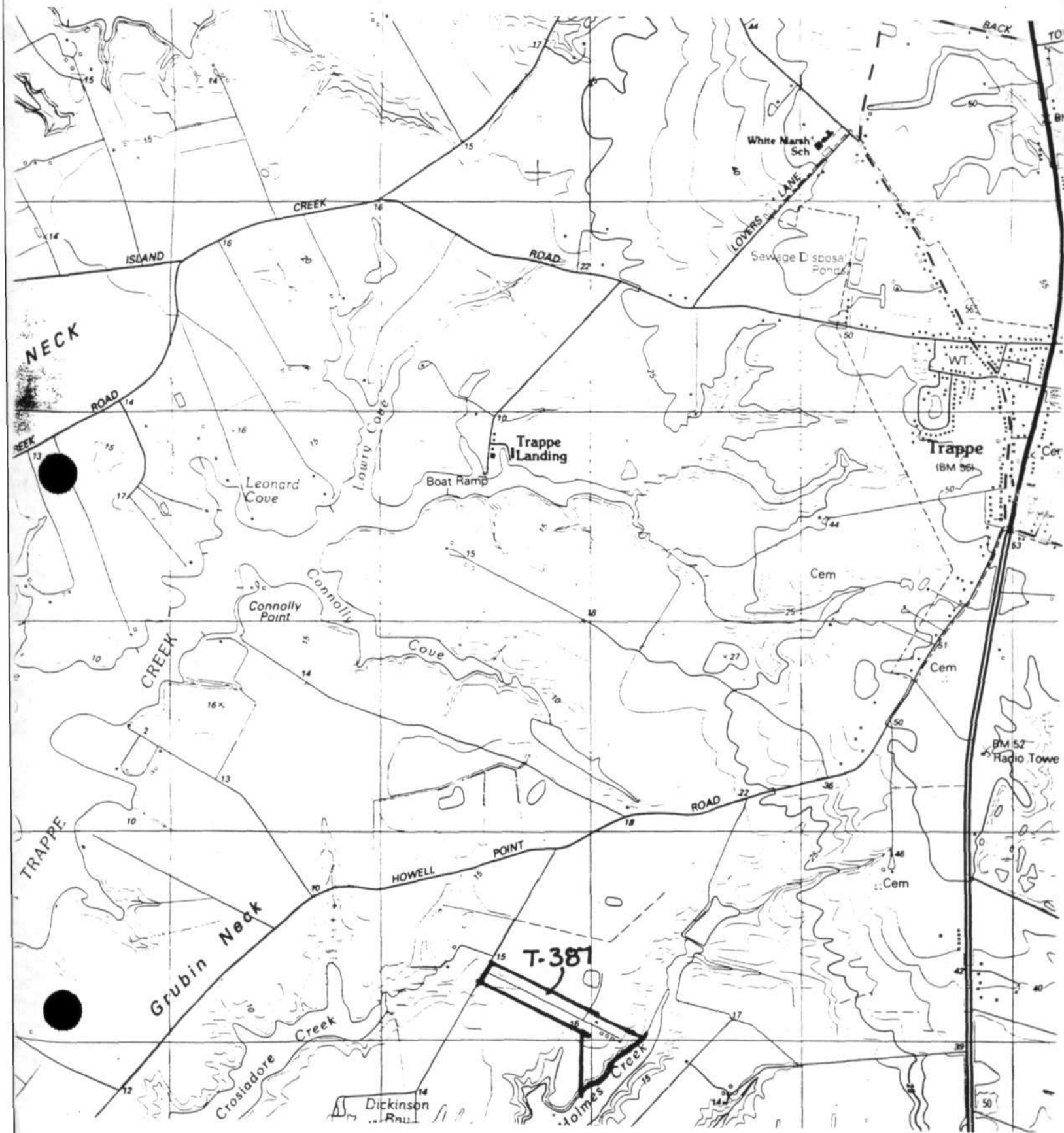
The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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Trappe, MD USGS Quad (1: 24,000)





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Country Rectory

Talbot Co. MD

A. BARNES

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MD SHPO

Tool shed looking W

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Country Rectory
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A. BARNES

8/17/03

MD SHPO

House looking S

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Country Rectory

Talbot Co. MD

A. BARNES

8/7/03

MD SHPO

House looking W

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MD SHPO

HOUSE REAR LOOK N

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Country Rectory

Talbot Co. MD

A. BARNES

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MD SHPO

House side looking N

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MD SHPO

House Front Looking E

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Country Rectory

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A. BARNES

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MD SHPO

Carriage House Front Look W

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MD SHPD

Milk house #2 load W

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A. BARNES

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MD SHPO

BARN looking in

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County Rectory
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MD SHPO

INTERIOR of BARN look NW

10/23



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County Rectory
Talbot Co. MD

A. BARNES

8/7/03

MD SHPO

Shed Looking S

11/23



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County Rectory
Talbot Co. MD

A. BARNE-S

827/03

MD SHPO

Machine Shed Look N

12/23



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County Rectory
Talbot Co. MD

A. BARNES

8/7/03

MD SHPO

Back of BARN and Shed looking E

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Counting Rectory
Talbot Co. MD

A. BARNES

8/7/03

MD SHPO

Milk house #2 and back of carriage house

Looking E

14/23



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Country Rectory
Talbot Co. MD

A. BARNES

8/17/03

MD SHPO

house and outbuilding look S

15/23



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County Rectory
Talbot Co. MD

A. BARNES

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MD STRO

Stable Looking NE

14/23



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County Rectory
Talbot Co. MD

A. BARNES

8/7/03

MD SHPO

TENANT HOUSE LOOK N

17/23



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Country Rectory
Talbot Co. MD

A. BARNES

817103

MD SHPO

Back of tenant house looking S

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County Reentry
Tallot Co MD

A. BARNES

8/7/03

MD SHPO

SHED # 2 looking E

19/23



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Cantry Rectory
Talbot Co. MD

A. BARNES

817103

MD SHPO

Back of Tenant House looking W.

20/23



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Country Rectory

Talbot Co. MD

M. EDWARDS

8/7/03

MD SHPO

Milk house # 1 LOOK N

21/23



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Gentry Rectory
Talbot Co. MD

A. BARNES

8/7/03

MD SHPO

Looking down access road towards Main
House W of SE

22/23



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Country Rectory
Talbot Co. MD

A. BARNES

8/7/03

MD STPO

Side of Tenant house 201/ N.

23/23